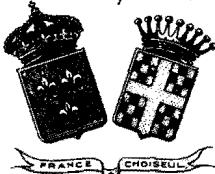


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7th September 1950

Dear Bedell -

It is with the greatest satisfaction that I read of your appointment as Head of C.I.A. This wise selection of the President makes me happy for a number of reasons - but chiefly because I know of your own keen appreciation of Intelligence from the early war days when we were "colleagues" in

3) since you now in the game,
as I am sure you know -
and that is "never depend on
one source only!" Nor can
one be "preoccupied" with
one's preconceptions!! These
lessons were taught me by dear
old Dr Strong himself from
as far back as 1931 !! I am
sure they are also your experience!

I shall pray that your health
is strong and rugged - and with
your wonderful heart minded - you're
equal to your great task! By
the by if you are interested in diets -
Brentano's has a Book by Gaylor Hansen
"Live longer & look younger"
My wife & I find France so

Washington - and also your
own mastery of the art
of "compounding its ingredients
and product" as this chief!
I have followed your brilliant
career after the War from your
writings etc with keen delight
And now having had a little
to do with "Intelligence myself"
(as you may remember) 
"being in" on the formation
of C.I.S or C.I.A IDEA, I am
comforted in these pernicious
times that you are going
to "run" our Vital CONTRAL I.
There is ^{at least} one absolute

4 delightful for a long
holiday. Having retired in
1947 and settled in NORFOLK,
Conn, I felt the urge to get
the feel of France again. So
we go here & there in ^{the} great
land! Who knows the future?

May God give us all -
His Wisdom & Patience and clear
Guidance - especially you -
my dear friend!

I expect to be very at end
of next January - perhaps in Washington
a bit later & would so like to
pay my respects!!

With affectionate regard
and all good wishes
Franklin Hayes.

14 September 1950

Dear Hayes:

Your cordial letter of September 7th with its good wishes and kind remarks on my new appointment is deeply appreciated. I am in need of encouragement at the moment and such expressions of confidence from one's friends are a great help to the morale.

Thanks for your tip on Gaylord Hauser's new book, but as a result of my recent operation I am now enjoying an unrestricted diet and for the first time in years I can indulge myself with such delicacies as baked beans and sauerkraut. Unless forced into it, I hope to avoid wheat germ, brewers' yeast, and the other unattractive dishes to which Mr. Hauser subscribes.

I hope you will contact me when you visit Washington in January. I should be pretty well settled in the job by then and would like very much to have a talk with you.

With warmest personal regards,

Faithfully,

S/ Bedell

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